

The Alexandria Gazette

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 23.

VOW KIPPUR.—The most sacred of the Hebrew feasts began yesterday evening, and will continue until this evening. It is known among the people of that faith, who strictly observe it, as a day of atonement for sin. No manual labor is permitted, and they faithfully abstain from all food and drink. In consequence of the fast, the stores of all the Jews in the city have been closed since yesterday evening at 6 o'clock, and will so remain until 6 o'clock this evening.

The Washington Chronicle is sharply reviewing Mr. Reverdy Johnson's pamphlet in relation to Gen. Fitz John Porter's trial—accusing Mr. Johnson of inconsistency and stigmatizing some of his statements as "absolutely false." This is harsh language.

Under military authority it is directed that the parsonage of Christ Church be vacated by the present occupants, and the property turned over to the present Vestry of Christ Church.

An extensive fire, the work of incendiaries, occurred in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on Monday night. Hundreds of workmen have been thrown out of employment, by the disaster.

Capt. Hart, U. S. A., recently killed in battle on the Rapidan, was buried in this place, yesterday, with the honors of war, after religious services at St. Mary's Church.

Three hundred and eighty deserters were on Monday sent from the defences south of the Potomac, where they have been at work for sometime past, to Provost Marshal Todd, who will return them to the various regiments to which they belong.

The editor of the St. Louis Union newspaper, the semi-official organ of Gen. Schofield, has had charges preferred against him for publishing an editorial "reflecting on Gen. Ewing for depopulating certain border counties in Missouri."

The extent of the business done in this place by citizens of the Jewish denomination, could be seen at a glance, this morning, by the appearance of King street, and the number of closed doors on that thoroughfare.

An Oyster Dealer's Association has been established in Washington.

The Jewish Feast of Tabernacles commences next Sunday, after sunset.

Gold, in New York, yesterday, 139½.

A private letter of the 12th, from New Orleans, received in Boston, says:—"The coast is as full of Confederate troops as ever. The stores at Baton Rouge are closed up, for fear of a force of Confederates dashing in, as they did at Port Hudson lately, where they spiked guns, carried off food, three hundred negroes, and other plunder."

The Alabama fell in with the barque Azzopardi from Boston, bound to France, on the 3d of June, and detained her five hours. The Azzopardi was formerly an American vessel, but now sails with a British register.

A careful observation at the U. S. Treasury department has disclosed the fact that of the fifty-cent postage currency there are nine different counterfeits, of the twenty-fives and tens, two each, and of the fives, one. The fifties and twenty-fives are being rapidly called in, preparatory to the issue of a new style of the same denominations.

Two steamers are constructing at Nantes and two others at Bordeaux, the object and destination of which are surrounded with mystery. They are eighty metres long, are to have engines of 400 horse power, will carry twenty-two guns, and their guaranteed speed is to be fourteen knots an hour. They are to be delivered up at sea, twenty leagues from Belle Isle.

Between three and four hundred Confederate convalescents left Chester hospital, Phila., on Saturday morning, on the steamer New York, for city point, but when below Fort Delaware, an accident happened to the machinery. The boat returned to Chester, and landed the prisoners, who were sent back to the hospital.

The banking house of W. F. Reynolds & Co., at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, was entered last week, and robbed of the large sum of seven thousand dollars.

A dispatch from Fortress Monroe says: "The 11th Pennsylvania cavalry have just returned from an expedition to Franklin. They report only 700 Confederate troops on the Blackwater river."

Two large steam-frigates, probably Russian, were yesterday lying off Stonington, evidently bound westward.

There are at the present time fourteen hundred and sixty-nine sick and wounded soldiers in the Naval Academy Hospital at Annapolis. Its full capacity is sixteen hundred and ninety-six.

The news from Arkansas is uninteresting. Price, when last heard from, was at Arkadelphia, the head of navigation on the Wachita River.

Elections in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Iowa, take place on the 13th of October. Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi hold their elections on the 5th of next month, and South Carolina on the 12th.

A boiler explosion occurred yesterday at New Cumberland, Pa., killing five persons and wounding six. The saw mill of Eberly Lee, in which the explosion took place, was totally demolished.

The Washington correspondent of the Boston Herald says that "there will be another draft immediately, and that Secretary Stanton will recommend to Congress the abrogation of the \$300 exemption clause."

The Paris correspondent of the London Herald repeats his former assertion that both the recognition of the South, and the defensive league between the Confederate, French and Mexican Governments are decided upon.

Captain Samuel Black, Assistant Quartermaster at Louisville, has been arrested on the charge of fraud.

VALUABLE LOT FOR SALE, situated on the south side of Duke street, 99 feet east of Water street, and occupied by Mrs. Noland. It is 24 feet 5 inches front, and 118 feet deep, with a 9 feet alley on its west line. Terms cash. sep 23--6t R. JOHNSTON.

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LATEST FROM EUROPE.

SANDY HOOK. September 22.—The steamship Etna, from Liverpool on the 9th, via Queenstown on the 10th, passed here this forenoon.

LIVERPOOL. 10th.—The cotton sales to-day were 14,500 bales—8,000 on speculation and for export. The market closed buoyant and prices unchanged. Breadstuffs were firm.

LONDON, September 10.—The Paris correspondent of the London Times, writing on the French occupation of Mexico, says:

"The Federal Government may as yet have taken no official steps in the matter, but numerous private letters from the United States express the strong dissatisfaction felt at the proceedings in Mexico, and a conviction that the Government at Washington reckons on not allowing the arrangements that have been made to remain long as they are, without very serious notice being taken of them. The position the French Government finds itself in is a difficult and delicate one, and you may depend that Mexican affairs are at this moment the principal subject of its thoughts and anxiety."

The Times has a leader in answer to a letter from a correspondent, who contends that the two iron clads in the Mersey, supposed to be for the Confederates, should be seized. The Times remarks in reply:

"If the Ministers detain these vessels, we do not think they would be justified in doing so. But the question depends entirely on evidence which can only be known hereafter. Legal proofs are still wanting. The Times concludes: "After all, perhaps, our correspondents is simply expressing a desire, which we have no doubt is pretty generally felt, that the Government would cut the vexatious knot by detaining the two steam rams, and trusting the case to a trial. However, that is a matter for the Government itself to consider. It is a very common belief that these two vessels, whatever nation they may be immediately passed to, are in the end destined for the service of the Confederate States against the Federal."

"It is the universal and general impression, if we were in the position of the Federals, and had suffered as they have from the operations of such vessels, we should be unlikely to take the matter quietly."

The Morning Herald denounces the Government for interfering with the steam rams in the Mersey, and refuses to believe the statement of the Post, that they are detained on mere suspicion.

The British Foreign Anti-Slavery Society memorializes Earl Russell to stop the vessels on anti-slavery ground.

The Phare de la Loire says two clipper steamers, building at Nantes and two at Bordeaux, are suspected of being intended for the Confederates.

The Paris correspondent of the Morning Herald repeats the assertion that the recognition of the South and a defensive league between the Confederate, French and Mexican Governments are both decided on.

The Mexican and Polish questions remain unchanged.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 9.—The Journal de St. Petersburg, of to-day, denies the rumor published by the foreign press concerning new arrangements by Russia relative to Polish and German affairs.

LONDON, September 9.—Cyrus W. Field will return to America on Saturday next in the steamship China. A contract for the manufacture and laying down next summer of a good submarine telegraph cable, between Iceland and Newfoundland, was signed on the 5th instant.

The Quebec steamer Romanville went to sea last night clearing for Havana, but it is expected she will take a cargo from Nova Scotia to run the blockade.

The steamer Caledonia leaves to-day on similar business.